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1. The conclusion reported by many genetic and genomic studies in non-model species is often not a *de facto* conclusion but instead one plausible hypothesis among several possibilities.
(*This thesis, Chapter 2*)

2. "Essentially, all models are wrong, but some are useful."
(*George E. P. Box, This thesis, Chapter 3*)

3. The newest experimental and analytical approaches are not always superior.
(*Chapter 3, 4*)

4. Genetic diversity in contemporary baleen whale populations are mainly determined by past climate changes.
(*Chapter 5, 6*)

5. Baleen whale population dynamics are driven by regional oceanographic conditions, including the prey base.
(*Chapter 6*)

6. “The great enemy of knowledge is not error, but inertness.”
(*Henry Thomas Buckle*)

7. A PhD is not only an intellectual challenge, but an emotional challenge as well.

8. Choose Groningen for sports not climate.